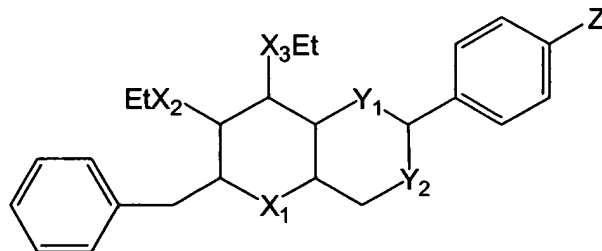


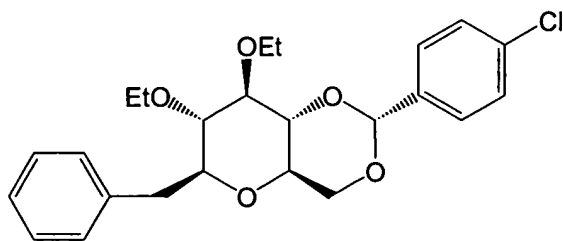
Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently amended) A method of treating an infection caused by herpesvirinae in a patient in need thereof comprising administering to said patient an effective amount of at least one compound according to ~~Compounds comprising~~ the chemical structure



wherein X_1 , X_2 , and X_3 are selected from the group consisting of O, N, and S;
wherein Y_1 and Y_2 are selected from the group consisting of O, N, and S; and
wherein Z is selected from the group consisting of F, Cl, and Br.

2. (Currently amended) A method as defined in claim 1, wherein the patient is administered an effective amount of at least one ~~P~~ pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the compounds of Claim 1.
3. (Currently amended) A method as defined in claim 1, wherein said ~~C~~compounds having have substantially identical spatial occupation, physiochemical and electrochemical properties as the compounds of Claim 1.
4. (Currently amended) A method of treating an infection caused by herpesvirinae in a patient in need thereof comprising administering to said patient an effective amount of a compound consisting essentially of the chemical structure



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

5. (Currently amended) ~~A pharmaceutical composition~~ method as defined in claim 1
~~consisting essentially of comprising the administration of an effective amount of a compound of~~
claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

6. (Currently amended) A method of treating an infection caused by herpesvirinae in a
patient in need thereof comprising administering to said patient an effective amount of at least
one compound having the three-dimensional structure characterized by the atomic structure
coordinates of Table 5, said compound having less than a 10% difference in the internal
coordinates after minimalization with the MM2 force field.

7. (New) A method according to claim 1, wherein the infection is caused by HSV-1 or
HSV-2.